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Dear Sir:

I Introduction

Applicant's Response is to an United States Patent and Trademark Office Examiner's Action dated October 20, 2005. In the Action, which is in the nature of a restriction requirement, the examiner set a shortened statutory period for reply of one month, *i.e.*, by November 20, 2005. Applicant includes herewith a request for a four-month extension of time to file Applicant's Response, *i.e.*, to March 20, 2005. March 20, 2005 is a Sunday. Accordingly, Applicant's Response is timely under 37 CFR § 1.7 as it is being filed on Monday, March 21, 2005, with a Certificate of Mailing Under 37 CFR § 1.8.